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KDOL Furloughs 66 Employees Due to Federal Government Shutdown

TOPEKA, Kan. – Due to the lack of an appropriations bill for federal fiscal year 2014, the Kansas Department of Labor (KDOL) is faced with a shortage of funding to pay administrative personnel. Therefore the Secretary has deemed it necessary, by reason of shortage of funds, to furlough without pay 66 unclassified employees as of 11:59 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5. Sixty-three of those employees are from the Topeka office, two from the Wichita office and one from the Great Bend office.

A furlough is defined as a temporary unpaid leave due to special needs which may be due to economic conditions. These involuntary furloughs may be short or long term.

Unemployment Insurance (UI) Benefits will continue to be processed. Kansas employers need to submit Quarterly Wage Reports as usual.

The KDOL Division of Workers Compensation will continue regular operations and appeal hearings.

At this time, the monthly Kansas Labor Report is delayed until further notice. Any special requests and labor statistics updates from Labor Market Information Services (LMIS) are on hold.

KDOL is doing everything it can to continue operations and serve Kansans.

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